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REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION

Under Rule 53(a), (b) & (f)

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Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new Patent Application (☐ Design ☒ Utility) entitled:

2. (Complete) Title:

SYSTEM AND METHOD OF MITIGATING EFFECTS OF COMPONENT
DEFLECTION IN A PROBE CARD ANALYZER

without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:3. ☒ Abstract 1 page(s).4. 20 Pages of Specification (only spec. and claims); 5. ☐ Specification in non-English language6. 19 Numbered claim(s); and7. ☒ Drawings: 5 sheet(s) ☐ 1 set informal; 8. ☒ formal of size: ☐ A4 ☒ 11"9. DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

| Application No. | Filing Date | Application No. | Filing Date |
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| (1) 60/454,574 | March 14, 2003 | (2) | |
| (3) | | (4) | |
| (5) | | (6) | |

10. FOREIGN priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in _____

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| (5) | | <input type="checkbox"/> See 3 rd page for additional priorities | |

11. _____ (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☐ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) _____
in U.S. Application No. _____ / filed on _____

12. ☐ This is a reissue of Patent No. _____

13. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National, International application(s) (X box only if info is there and do not complete corresponding item 14 or 15.)
14. ☐ **Amend the specification** by inserting before the first line -- This is a ☐ Continuation-in-Part
☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation ☐ Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of:
- 14(a) ☐ National Appln. No. / filed .- - (C-M)
- 14(b) ☐ International Appln. No. PCT/ filed which designated the U.S., and that International Application ☐ was ☐ was not published under PCT Article 21(2) in English.--
15. ☐ **Amend the specification** by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/ , filed .--
16. Extension to date: ☐ concurrently filed ☐ not needed ☐ previously filed
17. ☒ Small Entity Status is claimed (**pre-filing confirmation required**)
- 17(a) ☒ Attached: 1 (No.) Small Entity Statement(s). (Since 9/8/00 Small Entity Statement not essential to make claim)
- 17(b) ☐ See **NONPUBLICATION REQUEST** under Rule 213(a) attached (PAT-258)
18. ☐ Prior application is assigned to

by Assignment recorded Reel Frame

19. ☒ **Attached: New Application Cover Sheet; and Return Postcard**

20. This application is made by the following named inventor(s) **(Double check instructions for accuracy.):**
 (Listing of inventor(s) not a requirement, but list if known)

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21. NOTE: FOR ADDITIONAL INVENTORS, check box ☐
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